Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 07 Apr 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 08 Apr 2022

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 06 Apr 2022 at 17:13 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high, although moderate for strength of winds early Thursday. Moderate for timing of milder air and rain late Sunday or on Monday.

Headline for Thursday 07 Apr 2022: Snow showers becoming heavy and frequent. Cold with strong winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 07 Apr 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Light snow	Cloudy	Light snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow	Light snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
70%	70%	10%	30%	50%	50%	60%	30%

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Weather: Persistent, often heavy snow in the east, patchier in the west, with severe gale to storm force summit winds through the early hours. Becoming mainly dry by dawn with some bright spells. Snow shower across Skye and northern ranges through the morning, becoming widespread and heavier by the afternoon with a risk of thunder. Showers becoming lighter and less frequent through the evening away from the far north.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% in the north, 60% in the south

Low cloud and visibility: Visibility generally very good or excellent outside of low cloud and showers, but falling to poor as snow showers pass through. Frequent cloud above 1000m, lowering to 800m near showers, the best of cloud breaks in the south.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	42/51 NE	45/55 N	40/48 N	26/33 N	26/34 N	27/35 N	31/39 N	32/40 N	29/36 NW
900	39/48 NE	41/51 N	37/44 N	25/32 N	25/33 N	26/34 N	29/37 N	31/39 N	27/35 NW
600	22/30 NE	33/42 NE	24/32 N	20/27 N	21/29 N	22/30 N	22/30 N	20/29 N	19/27 NW
300	15/35 NE	10/41 NE	6/32 N	8/26 N	11/29 N	11/30 N	10/31 N	9/31 N	8/27 NW
Glen	21/35 NE	19/41 NE	12/29 N	12/25 N	14/27 N	15/29 N	14/29 N	12/27 N	12/26 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-4/-15	-6/-17	-6/-17	-5/-14	-4/-12	-3/-12	-4/-13	-4/-14	-5/-14
900	-4/-14	-5/-16	-5/-15	-4/-12	-3/-11	-3/-11	-3/-12	-4/-13	-4/-13
600	-1/-9	-2/-12	-2/-10	-1/-8	-0/-7	-0/-7	-1/-8	-1/-8	-2/-8
300	1/-5	-0/-5	0/-3	2/-2	2/-2	3/-1	2/-3	1/-3	0/-4
Glen	4/-2	2/-4	3/-2	4/0	5/0	5/1	4/-1	3/-1	3/-1
Freezing Level*	300m	100m	200m	300m	300m	400m	400m	300m	200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Severe gales around dawn. Soon easing slightly, but still a bitingly cold wind.

Forecast for Friday 08 Apr 2022
Weather: Mostly cloudy with snow showers, most frequent and heavy in the north. Turning drier with some bright or sunny spells and isolated showers from the north through the afternoon, but snow shower returning in the evening.

Maximum wind: Northwest 25 gusting 35-40 mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% in the morning, 60% in the afternoon

Low cloud and visibility: Visibility generally poor in the morning with frequent or often persistent cloud, bases around 600-800m. Visibility becoming generally very good in the afternoon, with cloud bases lifting to around munro level and frequent breaks developing.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 1 Celsius rising to plus 6 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 4 Celsius rising to minus 1 Celsius.
Freezing level: 200m early morning. Rising to 500m by the afternoon, 300m in the evening.

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